(C) REMARKS

The Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for carefully reviewing the specification and claims. The Applicant appreciates that claims 16-26, 28-30 and 35-37 were found to recite allowable subject matter.

Independent claim 1 has now been amended so that it includes all elements of allowable dependent claim 16. Independent claim 27 has been amended so that it now includes all elements of allowable dependent claim 28. Independent claim 32 has been amended so that it now includes all elements of allowable dependent claim 35.

Claims 14, 15, 16, 28 and 35 have been cancelled because they are redundant in view of the amendments to claims 1, 27 and 32. Claims 17, 22, 29, 30, 36 and 37 were amended to change the dependency in view of the amendments to claims 1, 27 and 28 and the cancellations of claims 16, 28 and 35.

Independent claims 1, 27 and 32 have been amended to include all elements of dependent claims 16, 28 and 35, which were stated to be allowable in the Office Action. All other claims remaining in the application are dependent from independent claims 1, 27 and 32 and should be allowable therewith.

It is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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